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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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**TC 1700**

Serial No.: 10/041,115 Filing Date: January 8, 2002  
Examiner: Deborah Yee Group Art Unit: 1742  
Invention: "Austenitic Stainless Steel Less Susceptible to Cracking During Forming and a Manufacturing Method Thereof"

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

Small Entity Status is asserted for this application under 37 CFR 1.27.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27 is enclosed.

No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	No. of Claims After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate	Non-Small Entity Rate	Charge
Total	<u>3</u>	<u>-20</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>x \$ 9.00</u>	<u>x \$ 18.00</u>
Indep.	<u>1</u>	<u>- 3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>x \$ 43.00</u>	<u>x \$ 86.00</u>
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim/s						<u>+ \$145.00</u>
						<u>+ \$290.00</u>
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A check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed for a one month Petition for Extension of Time.

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Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.

Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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